[Shrimati Bijoya Chakravarty]

Arunachal and Meghalaya. I don't know whose purpose this Central university will serve if this university is located here. I want an assurance that another Central university will be located at a place, in the northern part of Assam. Assam is not meant for a particular people or to serve the political party of a particular person. So, I want an assurance. If the hon. Minister. Mr. L.P. Shahi, fails to give me an assurance, I shall not stop. You may throw me out, you may cut ray throat, but I shall not listen. I shall shout. I must get assurance from the hon. Minister.

SHRI YASHWANT SINHA (Bihar) : I assocciate with the hon. Member. *(Interruptions)*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Wait a minute.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : Madam, this is the map of Assam. The entire....

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : I can assure that nobody is going *to* cut your throat. Nobody is going to stop you from speaking. But you have made your point. You are not speaking on the merit of the Bill. You are only talking about the location. While we have a discussion on it, you might talk about it.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : I object to the introduction of this Bill. I reserve the right to make objection to the introduction of the Bill.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : You have made your point and it has been noted.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : I would urge upon the Minister, Shri L.P. Shahi, to note that this Central university is going to be set up at a very small place where already there are two technical institutes.

SHRI KAMALENDU BHATTACHARJEE (Assam) : It is in Assam.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Yes.

SHRI KAMALENDU BHATTACHARJEE : Cachar is also in Assam.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Cachar is not Assam.

SHRI KAMALENDU BHATTACHARJEE: You don't know anything about Assam.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: I know.

SHRI KAMALENDU BHATTACHARJEE: You don't know anything. *(Interruptions)*

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY (Andhra Pradesh) : This Bill is nothing but an eyewash. *(Interruptions)* It is a fraud on the country. *(Interruptions)*

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Madam, I want an assurance from the Minister.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Mrs. Chakravarty, this is not proper. I have allowed you to speak.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: I am showing this to you, Madam.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : I have seen it. You can come and show it to me in the Chamber in a proper manner and let me know what is your problem. The Government is going to look after your interests. This is not the way to come to the well. Please go back. Don't make a scene on this point. Your point has been noted. Please go back.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : I am objecting to the

establishment of this Central University. I want an assurance that another Central University will be established in the northern part of Assam.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : The question is :

"That leave be granted to introduce a Bill to establish and incorporate a teaching and affiliating University in the State of Assam and to provide for matters connect ed therewith or incidental thereto."

The motion was adopted.

SHRI L.P. SHAHI: I introduce the Bill.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Madam, I want an assurance from the Minister.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Mrs. Chakravarty, I request you to please go back to your seat.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : Madam-1 want an assurance.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : When the Bill comes up for discussion, the Minister will give yon an assurance *(Interruptions).* You should know the procedure. At the time of the introduction of the Bill. .. *(Interruptions)* Just a minute..... no assurance can be given. *(Interruptions)* Please listen to me. There is a procedure at the time of the introduction of the Bill. You have made your point. But the Minister will give you assurance when the Bill comes for discussion. Please, I request you to go back to your seat. You have made your point.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: I want an assurance from the Minister...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : The Chair is giving you assurance. Do you feel the Minister is more important or the Chair is more important? When the Bill comes up for discussion, he will give attention to all your points.

He will give you the assurance, but not at this point of time. Please go back.

SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : Simply, I want to say when the Central University is located in Cachar...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : I think we need an orientation course for the Members to know what are the rules and procedures.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Madam, I gave you a notice on the Jharkhand movement. I said this House should dis uss it. It is a big movement that is going on there.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : You see, the notice which has been given for Special Mention is not going to be discussed over here.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Madam, Jharkhand movement cannot...

THE DFPUTY CHAIRMAN : Whether it is Jharkhand movement or any movement, you discuss it with the Chairman.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: You are from Bombay, you cannot ignore the tribals.

THE DFPUTY CHAIRMAN : Don't make such allegations. I am from this country. I am from India, not from one place.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय (उत्तर प्रदेश) : मेरा एक व्यवस्था का प्रश्न है। ...(व्यवधान)...

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: The Prime Minister can go anywhere.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : माननीय उपसभापति जी, मेरा एक व्यवस्था का प्रश्न है । . . . (व्यवधान) . . .

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Please sit down. It is not being permitted. So, you please sit down.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :*

उपसभापति : मालवीय जी, आप बैठ जाइए । . . (व्यवधान) . .

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :*

डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय (उत्तर प्रदेश) :*

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : *

उपसभापति : मालवीय जी, यह कोई पिक्चर पैलरी नहीं है, यहां तस्वीरें न लाइए । . . (व्यवधान) . .

श्री यशवंत सिन्हा :*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Whatever anybody is speaking in the House is not going on record because they have not taken my permission.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :*

श्रीमती रेणुका चौधरी :*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : It is not going on record. There is no point in speakin . I have not given you permission. Neither what you are speaking nor anybody who is speaking is going on record. I have asked the Minister to reply.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :*

डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय :*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I said nothing will go on record. Please sit down. The Minister is on his legs

मालवीय जी, आप बेकार में बोल रहे हैं, रिकार्ड में जा नहीं रहा है। . . (व्यवधान)

डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय :*

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :*

SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH (Gujarat) : Madam, this is unfair. This should not go on record.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I say whatever is being shown in the House should be taken out. I his is the House of Parliament. Please don't do these things. It is not proper. आप बैठ जाइये ।

Please sit down when I am on my feet.

डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय :*

उपसभापति : आपको मैंने इजाजत नहीं दी । आप बैठ जाइए ।

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :*

उपसभापति : मालवीय जी, मैं आपसे बहुत विनती के साथ कहती हूं, मैं आपसे निवेदन करती हूं कि इस हाउस की गरिमा को कायम रखिए . . (व्यवधान) . .

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :*

उपसभापति : मैंने आपको परमिशन नहीं दी है । आप चेयरमैन साहब से परमिशन ले लीजिए और हाउस में बोलिए । बिना अनुमति दिए चेयर के, आप यहां नहीं बोलेंगे । मैं आपको अनुमति नहीं दे रही हूं । जो भी आप बोल रहे हैं वह रिकार्ड में नहीं जा रहा है ।

* Not recorded.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : *

उपसभापति : आप बैठ जाइए।

डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय : *

उपसभापति : आप सब लोग बैठ जाइए, कोई बात रिकार्ड में नहीं जा रही है।

SHRI A.G. KULKARNI (Maharashtra): Madam. 1 am on a point of order.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Yes. Mr. Kulkarni, what do you want to say

(Interruptions)

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI : I would request you and through you, I am drawing the attention of the entire House that the incidents which are mentioned, they are being exposed to such an extent that the entire dignity of this House is at a low position and conventions are broken with impunity. It is a great ***(Interruptions)***

SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: *

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I have permitted only Mr. Kulkarni. I have not permitted you, Mr. **Malaviya.** ***(Interruptions)..*** **Anybody** who speaks without my permission, his speech will not go on record.
(Interruptions)

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI : Madam, may I request you and **through you -----** ***(Interruption).***

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Dr. Ratnakar Pandey, please sit **down. ..*(Interruption)*----**

I say, please sit down. *(Interruptions). ..*

SHRI A.G. KULKARNI: Madam. I have not completed. *(Interruptions). ..*

SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA* (Bihar)

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Mr. Ahluwalia, I have not allowed you to speak. .. *(Interruptions)..*

I say Mr. Ahluwalia, take it away. I will have to name you if you do not go back to your seat.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: Madam, my only suggestion here is **....** *(Interruptions)*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I request every Member to sit down. Please sit down.

DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:*

SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA:*

SHRI A.G. KULKARNI: My suggestion is .. .*(Interruptions)* ___ to call a meeting of the leaders of all political parties., .do away with this practice. This practice is obnoxious. And it is lowering the dignity of the House. You call a meeting of all the leaders and decide the **procedure.** ***(Interruptions).***

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : The House is adjourned for fiften minutes.

The house then adjourned at twenty-one minutes past twelve of the clock.

The House reassembled at thirty-six minutes past twelve of the clock, The Deputy Chairman in the Chair.

DISCUSSION ON THE WORKING OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING—*contd.*

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

•Not recorded.

(SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT); Madam, I am grateful to you for giving me this opportunity to reply to the debate on the working of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. This is a Ministry in the working of which hon. Member have always shown a lot of interest and it is very natural. They have made a number of points and my colleagues, Prof. K.K. Tewary and Shri Krishna Kumar, made their statements yesterday, they made very relevant points and answered certain points raised by hon. Members. I would not like to repeat the same points. Hon. Members, Shri Satya Prakash Malaviya, Shri Kapil Verma, Shri Mustafa Bin Quasem, Shri Raoof Valiullah, Shrimati Renuka Chowdhury, Shrimati Veena Verma Shri Pramod Mahajan, Shri V Gopalsamy, Shri Gurudas Das Gupta, Dr. Ratnakar Pandey, Shri Chitta Basu, Shrimati Bijoya Chakravarty, Shri Dharam Pal, Shri Ram Awadhesh Singh and Shri P. N. Sukul made a number of points.

I may agree with some of the points, I may not agree with some of the points. But I must say that the participation in the debate was quite enthusiastic and it does help me in understanding things. In the present atmosphere it is very difficult for anyone to be objective and in th is atmosphere of sharp poltical polarisation, one cannot easily expect people to be very objective. I am myself a political person. Therefore, many things which have been said do not come to me as a surprise. All the same I would like to do my best in all humilty and with respect and regard to the hon. Members, whelther on this side or on that side of the House, to make a presentation, what I think to be a correct presentation. Let me say from the beginning that in regard to the media requirements of India, nobody can say today, nobody will be able to say at any time, 'Well, everything is enough, nothing more: everything is good, nothing more'. Nobody Will ever,be able to claim that I do not claim that. According to my assessment, India is a picture of tremendous achievements and strong challenges. It is a picture of achievements and challenges. So is the media, When I talk of the media. I talk of all categories of madia whether it is TV, whether it is radio or print media or other categories of media. I believe that the media is a picture of tremendous achievements. It has very strong challenges before it, it has very strong responsibilities before it. That is the picture of the media. I would like to touch upon the various aspects of it. I would not merely like to pat myself or pat the Ministry by harping on the expansion of the hardware. Hardware is very important. But without the hardware we cannot give the software. Nobody can minimise the importance of the hardware.

It is a fact that in TV we have got the largest TV audience in the world in the shortest possible time. This nobody can deny. And, when we talk of the achievements of the Government, we should understand that they are the achievements of the nation. Ultimately, whatever has been achieved in India is the achievement of the various sections of the people—they are the engineers, they are the writers, they are the workers, they are the farmers, they are the teachers, they are the administrators, they are the public figures and so on. Whatever has been achieved, whatever we have achieved during the last forty years, or even during the last four or five years, are the achievements of the nation and I do not claim them as my achievements, but they are the achievements of the nation. In a democracy, the Government once elected for a certain period of time represents the country, and, therefore, it s natural that the Government is attacked and criticised and the Government also should answer. The Government get credit for the achievements and it is not that the Government does not get discredit